INVITATION TO BID	0 10	BIDS WILL BE PUBLICLY	OPENED:
STATE OF LOUISIANA		JUN 17, 2010	10:00 AM
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION			
OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING		PURCHASING AGENCY NO. :	107001
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VENDOR NAME AND ADDRESS		2240131 06/17/10	10:00 AM R12097N
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TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES: MEDICAL			
NORTHWEST LA. WAR VETERAN'S HOME (NWLWVH)		
1. PLEASE REMOVE FROM THIS COMMODITY CODE. 2. DELIVERY WILL BE MADE IN THIS NUMBER OF DAYS AFTER RECEIP 3. % CASH DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT IF MADE WITHIN THIRTY LESS THAN 30 DAYS OR LESS THAN 1% WILL BE ACCEPTED, BUT WI DETERMINING AWARDS. ON INDEFINITE QUANTITY TERM CONTRAC BUT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING AWARDS. 4. BID BOND ATTACHED, CERTIFIED CHECK ATTACHEI 5. BID REFERENCE NUMBER. (THIS NUMBER WILL APPEAR ON RESUL	Y (30) DAYS. CASH DISC ILL NOT BE CONSIDERE TS, CASH DISCOUNTS V	D IN VILL BE ACCEPTED AND TAKEN IF REQUIRED.	
INSTRUCTION	IS TO BIDDERS		
1. READ THE ENTIRE BID, INCLUDING ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND SPEC 2. ALL BID PRICES MUST BE TYPED OR WRITTEN IN INK. ANY CORRECTIONS, INITIALED BY THE BIDDER. 3. THIS BID IS TO BE MANUALLY SIGNED IN INK. 4. BID PRICES SHALL INCLUDE DELIVERY OF ALL ITEMS F.O.B. DESTINATION OF "C.O.D" REQUIREMENTS MAY BE REJECTED. PAYMENT IS TO BE MADE INVOICE OR DELIVERY, WHICHEVER IS LATER.	ERASURES OR OTHER F DR AS OTHERWISE PRO WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER	VIDED. BIDS CONTAINING "PAYMENT IN AI	FOLD HERE>
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DESIRED DELIVERY: 001DAYS ARO TO ASSURE CONSIDERATION OF YOUR BID, ALL BIDS AND ADDENDA SHOULD BE ADDENDA SHOUL			ED WITH
THE BID OPENING DATE AND THE BID NUMBER, OR SUBMITTED IN THE SPEC 9. BIDS SUBMITTED ARE SUBJECT TO PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STA' PURCHASING RULES AND REGULATIONS; EXECUTIVE ORDERS; STANDARD	TE OF LOUISIANA INCLU	DING BUT NOT LIMITED TO L.R.S. 39:1551-	·
IN THIS SOLICITATION. 10. IMPORTANT: BY SIGNING THE BID, THE BIDDER CERTIFIES COMPLIANCE WI SPECIFICATIONS, AND FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT THIS BID IS MADE WITHOUT BY A PERSON AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE VENDOR (SEE NO.30). ALL BID INF	UT COLLUSION OR FRAI	JD. THIS BID IS TO BE MANUALLY SIGNED	IN INK
VENDOR PHONE NUMBER: TITI FAX NUMBER:	LE	DATE	
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED BIDDER - SEE NO. 30, PAGE 3. (MUST BE SIGNED)	NAME OF	BIDDER OR PRINTED)	

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11 ADDRESS ALL INQUIRIES AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BUYER AT THE PHONE AND ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE.

12. CONFERENCE:

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13. BID FORMS.

ALL WRITTEN BIDS. UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR MUST BE SUBMITTED ON, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH, FORMS PROVIDED, PROPERLY SIGNED (SEE NO. 30). BIDS SUBMITTED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED:

- A. BID CONTAINS NO SIGNATURE INDICATING INTENT TO BE BOUND:
- B. BID FILLED OUT IN PENCIL: AND
- C. BID NOT SUBMITTED ON THE STATE'S STANDARD FORMS.

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION PRIOR TO BID OPENING TIME IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. TELEGRAPHIC AND FAX ALTERATIONS TO BIDS RECEIVED BEFORE BID OPENING TIME WILL BE CONSIDERED PROVIDED FORMAL BID AND WRITTEN ALTERATION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND TIME-STAMPED BEFORE BID OPENING TIME. ENTIRE BID SHOULD BE RETURNED, EXCEPT ITEM PAGES NOT

14. STANDARDS OF QUALITY.

ANY PRODUCT OR SERVICE BID SHALL CONFORM TO ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS AND THE SPECIFICATIONS CONTAINED IN THE SOLICITATION. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION, ANY MANUFACTURER'S NAME, TRADE NAME, BRAND NAME, OR CATALOG NUMBER USED IN THE SPECIFICATION IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESCRIBING THE STANDARD OF QUALITY, PERFOMANCE, AND CHARACTERISTICS DESIRED AND IS NOT INTENDED TO LIMIT OR RESTRICT COMPETITION. BIDDER MUST SPECIFY THE BRAND AND MODEL NUMBER OF THE PRODUCT OFFERED IN HIS BID. BIDS NOT SPECIFYING BRAND AND MODEL NUMBER SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS OFFERING THE EXACT PRODUCTS SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION.

15. DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION.

BIDDERS PROPOSING AN EQUIVALENT BRAND OR MODEL SHOULD SUBMIT WITH THE BID INFORMATION (SUCH AS ILLUSTRATIONS, DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE, TECHNICAL DATA) SUFFICIENT FOR STATE OF LOUISIANA TO EVALUATE QUALITY, SUITABILITY, AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS IN THE SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO SUBMIT DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION MAY CAUSE BID TO BE REJECTED. ANY CHANGE MADE TO A MANUFACTURER'S PUBLISHED SPECIFICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR A PRODUCT SHALL BE VERIFIABLE BY THE MANUFACTURER. IF ITEM(S) BID DO NOT FULLY COMPLY WITH SPECIFICATIONS (INCLUDING BRAND AND/OR PRODUCT NUMBER), BIDDER MUST STATE IN WHAT RESPECT ITEM(S) DEVIATE. FAILURE TO NOTE EXCEPTIONS ON THE BID FORM WILL NOT RELIEVE THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER(S) FROM SUPPLYING THE ACTUAL PRODUCTS REQUESTED.

16. BID OPENING.

BIDDERS MAY ATTEND THE BID OPENING, BUT NO INFORMATION OR OPINIONS CONCERNING THE ULTIMATE CONTRACT AWARD WILL BE GIVEN AT THE BID OPENING OR DURING THE EVALUATION PROCESS. BIDS MAY BE EXAMINED WITHIN 72 HOURS AFTER BID OPENING. INFORMATION PERTAINING TO COMPLETED FILES MAY BE SECURED BY VISITING THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS. WRITTEN BID TABULATIONS WILL NOT BE FURNISHED.

17. AWARDS.

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AWARD ITEMS SEPARATELY, GROUPED OR ON AN ALL-OR-NONE BASIS AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS AND WAIVE ANY INFORMALITIES.

LINESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA IN THE SQLICITATION, BID PRICES MUST BE COMPLETE, INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION PREPAID BY BIDDER TO DESTINATION AND FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS. IF ACCEPTED, PRICES MUST BE FIRM FOR THE CONTRACTUAL PERIOD. BIDS OTHER THAN F.O.B. DESTINATION MAY BE REJECTED. PRICES SHOULD BE QUOTED IN THE UNIT (EACH, BOX, CASE, ETC.) AS SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION.

19. DELIVERIES.

BIDS MAY BE REJECTED IF THE DELIVERY TIME INDICATED IS LONGER THAN THAT SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION.

20. TAXES.

VENDOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INCLUDING ALL APPLICABLE TAXES IN THE BID PRICE. STATE AGENCIES ARE EXEMPT FROM ALL STATE AND LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES.

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21. NEW PRODUCTS.

UNLESS SPECIFICALLY CALLED FOR IN THE SOLICITATION, ALL PRODUCTS FOR PURCHASE MUST BE NEW, NEVER PREVIOUSLY USED, AND THE CURRENT MODEL AND/OR PACKAGING. NO REMANUFACTURED, DEMONSTRATOR, USED OR IRREGULAR PRODUCT WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR PURCHASE UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION. THE MANUFACTURER'S STANDARD WARRANTY WILL APPLY UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE SOLICITATION.

22. CONTRACT RENEWALS.

UPON AGREEMENT OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AGENCY AND THE CONTRACTOR, A TERM CONTRACT MAY BE EXTENDED FOR 2 ADDITIONAL 12-MONTH PERIODS AT THE SAME PRICES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS. IN SUCH CASES, THE TOTAL CONTRACT TERM CANNOT EXCEED 36 MONTHS.

23. CONTRACT CANCELLATION.

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA HAS THE RIGHT TO CANCEL ANY CONTRACT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PURCHASING RULES AND REGULATIONS, FOR CAUSE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: (1) FAILURE TO DELIVER WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT; (2) FAILURE OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE TO MEET SPECIFICATIONS, CONFORM TO SAMPLE QUALITY OR TO BE DELIVERED IN GOOD CONDITION; (3) MISREPRESENTATION BY THE CONTRACTOR; (4) FRAUD, COLLUSION, CONSPIRACY OR OTHER UNLAWFUL MEANS OF OBTAINING ANY CONTRACT WITH THE STATE; (5) CONFLICT OF CONTRACT PROVISIONS WITH CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY PROVISIONS OF STATE OR FEDERAL LAW; (6) ANY OTHER BREACH OF CONTRACT.

24. DEFAULT OF CONTRACTOR.

FAILURE TO DELIVER WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED IN THE BID WILL CONSTITUTE A DEFAULT AND MAY CAUSE CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT.
WHERE THE STATE HAS DETERMINED THE CONTRACTOR TO BE IN DEFAULT, THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE ANY OR ALL PRODUCTS
OR SERVICES COVERED BY THE CONTRACT ON THE OPEN MARKET AND TO CHARGE THE CONTRACTOR WITH COST IN EXCESS OF THE CONTRACT
PRICE. UNTIL SUCH ASSESSED CHARGES HAVE BEEN PAID, NO SUBSEQUENT BID FROM THE DEFAULTING CONTRACTOR WILL BE CONSIDERED.

25. ORDER OF PRIORITY.

IN THE EVENT THERE IS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS OR STANDARD CONDITIONS AND THE SPECIAL CONDITIONS, THE SPECIAL CONDITIONS SHALL GOVERN.

26. APPLICABLE LAW.

ALL CONTRACTS SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

27. COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS.

BY SUBMITTING AND SIGNING THIS BID, BIDDER AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING AS APPLICABLE: TITLE VI AND VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, AS AMENDED BY THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 1972, FEDERAL EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246, FEDERAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973, AS AMENDED, THE VETERAN'S READJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1974, TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1972, THE AGE ACT OF 1975, AND BIDDER AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. BIDDER AGREES NOT TO DISCRIMINATE IN ITS EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES, AND WILL RENDER SERVICES UNDER ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO AS A RESULT OF THIS SOLICITATION WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, VETERAN STATUS, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, OR DISABILITIES. ANY ACT OF DISCRIMINATION COMMITTED BY BIDDER, OR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS WHEN APPLICABLE, SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR TERMINATION OF ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO AS A RESULT OF THIS SOLICITATION.

28. SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION.

ANY "QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY" AS DEFINED BY THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT WHO HAS SUBMITTED A BID AND DESIRES TO ATTEND THE BID OPENING, MUST NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IN WRITING NOT LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE BID OPENING DATE OF THEIR NEED FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS. IF THE REQUEST CANNOT BE REASONABLY PROVIDED, THE INDIVIDUAL WILL BE INFORMED PRIOR TO THE BID OPENING.

29. INDEMNITY.

CONTRACTOR AGREES, UPON RECEIPT OF WRITTEN NOTICE OF A CLAIM OR ACTION, TO DEFEND THE CLAIM OR ACTION, OR TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE MEASURE, TO INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS, THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, ITS AGENTS AND ITS EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS AND ACTIONS FOR BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE FAULT OF THE CONTRACTOR, ITS OFFICERS, ITS AGENTS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES. CONTRACTOR IS OBLIGATED TO INDEMNIFY ONLY TO THE EXTENT OF THE FAULT OF THE CONTRACTOR, ITS OFFICERS, ITS AGENTS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES. HOWEVER, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL HAVE NO OBLIGATION AS SET FORTH ABOVE WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIM OR ACTION FROM BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE FAULT OF THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, ITS AGENTS OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

30. SIGNATURE AUTHORITY.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH L.R.S. 39:1594 (ACT 121), THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID MUST BE:

- 1. A CURRENT CORPORATE OFFICER, PARTNERSHIP MEMBER OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT A BID AS REFLECTED IN THE APPROPRIATE RECORDS ON FILE WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; OR
- 2. AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE VENDOR AS REFLECTED BY A CORPORATE RESOLUTION, CERTIFICATE OR AFFIDAVIT; OR
- 3. OTHER DOCUMENTS INDICATING AUTHORITY WHICH ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE PUBLIC ENTITY.

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1 BID DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR STATE PURCHASING:

BIDDERS ARE HEREBY ADVISED THAT THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE DOES NOT MAKE DELIVERIES TO OUR PHYSICAL LOCATION.

BIDS MAY BE MAILED THROUGH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE TO OUR BOX AT:
OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING
P O BOX 94095
BATON ROUGE LA 70804-9095

BIDS MAY BE DELIVERED BY HAND OR COURIER SERVICE TO OUR PHYSICAL LOCATION AS FOLLOWS:

OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING CLAIBORNE BUILDING, SUITE 2-160 1201 NORTH THIRD STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70802

BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT ITS COURIER SERVICE PROVIDER MAKES INSIDE DELIVERIES TO OUR PHYSICAL LOCATION. THE OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DELAYS CAUSED BY THE BIDDER'S CHOSEN MEANS OF BID DELIVERY.

BIDDER SHOULD BE AWARE OF SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLAIBORNE BUILDING AND ALLOW TIME TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED AND PRESENTED WITH A TEMPORARY IDENTIFICATION BADGE.

BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TIMELY DELIVERY OF ITS BID. FAILURE TO MEET THE BID OPENING DATE & TIME SHALL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE BID.

PUBLICIZING AWARDS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH L.A.C.34:I.535, UNSUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE AWARD PROVIDED THAT THEY SUBMIT WITH THEIR BID A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE REQUESTING THIS INFORMATION.

**ATTENTION: **

RECEIPT OF A SOLICITATION OR AWARD CANNOT BE RELIED UPON AS AN ASSURANCE OF RECEIVING FUTURE SOLICITATIONS. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUTURE SOLICITATIONS/AWARDS FROM THIS OFFICE, YOU MUST ENROLL IN THE PROPER CATEGORY ON LAPAC AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE: HTTP://WWWPRD.DOA.LOUISIANA.GOV/OSP/LAPAC/PUBMAIN.ASP ENROLLMENT IN LAPAC IS FREE AND PROVIDES EMAIL NOTIFICATION OF BID OPPORTUNITIES BASED UPON COMMODITIES THAT YOU SELECT.

2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS. THIS SOLICITATION CONTAINS ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMODITIES HEREIN. ANY VENDOR CONTRACTS, FORMS, TERMS OR OTHER MATERIALS SUBMITTED WITH BID MAY CAUSE BID TO BE REJECTED.

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- VENDOR'S FORMS. THE PURCHASE/RELEASE ORDER IS THE ONLY BINDING
 DOCUMENT TO BE ISSUED AGAINST THIS CONTRACT. SIGNING OF VENDOR'S
 FORMS IS NOT ALLOWED.
- 4 INVOICES. INVOICES WILL BE SUBMITTED BY THE CONTRACTOR TO THE USING AGENCY AND THE INVOICE SHALL REFER TO THE DELIVERY TICKET NUMBER, DELIVERY DATE, PURCHASE/RELEASE ORDER NUMBER. QUANTITY, UNIT PRICE, AND DELIVERY POINT. A SEPARATE INVOICE FOR EACH ORDER DELIVERED AND ACCEPTED SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN DUPLICATE DIRECTLY TO THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT OF THE USING AGENCY. INVOICES SHALL SHOW THE AMOUNT OF ANY CASH DISCOUNT AND SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON THE CONTRACTOR'S OWN INVOICE FORM.
- 5 ACCEPTANCE. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, BIDS ON THIS CONTRACT WILL BE ASSUMED TO BE FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE FOR A MINIMUM OF 60 DAYS. IF ACCEPTED, PRICES MUST BE FIRM FOR THE SPECIFIED CONTRACT PERIOD.
- 6 CONTRACTUAL PERIOD. THE STATE OF LOUISIANA INTENDS TO AWARD ALL ITEMS FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD, NOT TO EXCEED 12 MONTHS. DELAYS IN AWARDING, BEYOND THE ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE, MAY RESULT IN A CHANGE IN THE CONTRACT PERIOD. IF THE SITUATION OCCURS, AN AWARD MAY BE MADE FOR LESS THAN 12 MONTHS.
- 7 CANCELLATION THE STATE OF LOUISIANA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL THIS CONTRACT WITH THIRTY (30) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE.
- 8 CERTIFICATION OF NO SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT. BY SIGNING AND SUBMITTING ANY BID FOR \$25,000 OR MORE, THE BIDDER CERTIFIES THAT THEIR COMPANY, ANY SUBCONTRACTORS, OR PRINCIPALS ARE NOT SUSPENDED OR DEBARRED BY THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS IN OMB CIRCULAR A-133.
 - A LIST OF PARTIES WHO HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED OR DEBARRED CAN BE VIEWED VIA THE INTERNET AT WWW.EPLS.GOV
- 9 FEDERAL CLAUSES

CIVIL RIGHTS
BOTH PARTIES SHALL ABIDE BY THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL
RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, AND SHALL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST EMPLOYEES
OR APPLICANTS DUE TO COLOR, RACE, RELIGION, SEX, HANDICAP OR
NATIONAL ORIGIN. FURTHERMORE, BOTH PARTIES SHALL TAKE AFFIRMATIVE
ACTION PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER #11246 AND THE
NATIONAL VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 TO PROVIDE FOR
POSITIVE POSTURE IN EMPLOYING AND UPGRADING PERSONS WITHOUT
REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, HANDICAP OR NATIONAL
ORIGIN, AND SHALL TAKE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AS PROVIDED IN THE
VIETNAM ERA VETERAN'S READJUSTMENT ACT OF 1974. BOTH PARTIES
SHALL ALSO ABIDE BY THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL
RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 AND THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION ACT
OF 1973 TO ENSURE THAT ALL SERVICES ARE DELIVERED WITHOUT

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DISCRIMINATION DUE TO RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR HANDICAP.

ANTI-KICKBACK CLAUSE
THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY AGREES TO ADHERE TO THE MANDATE DICTATED
BY THE COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT WHICH PROVIDES
THAT EACH CONTRACTOR OR SUBGRANTEE SHALL BE PROHIBITED FROM
INDUCING, BY ANY MEANS, ANY PERSON EMPLOYED IN THE
COMPLETION OF WORK, TO GIVE UP ANY PART OF THE COMPENSATION
TO WHICH HE IS OTHERWISE ENTITLED.

CLEAN AIR ACT
THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY AGREES TO ADHERE TO THE PROVISIONS WHICH
REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE STANDARDS,
ORDERS OR REQUIREMENTS ISSUED UNDER SECTION 306 OF THE CLEAN
AIR ACT WHICH PROHIBITS THE USE UNDER NON-EXEMPT FEDERAL
CONTRACTS, GRANTS OR LOANS OF FACILITIES INCLUDED ON THE
EPA LIST OF VIOLATING FACILITIES.

ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT
THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE MANDATORY STANDARDS
AND POLICIES RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY WHICH ARE CONTAINED
IN THE STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN ISSUED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT (P.L. 94-163).

CLEAN WATER ACT
THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY AGREES TO ADHERE TO THE PROVISIONS WHICH
REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE STANDARDS, ORDERS, OR
REQUIREMENTS ISSUED UNDER SECTION 508 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT
WHICH PROHIBITS THE USE UNDER NON-EXEMPT FEDERAL CONTRACTS,
GRANTS OR LOANS OF FACILITIES INCLUDED ON THE EPA LIST OF VIOLATING
FACILITIES.

ANTI-LOBBYING AND DEBARMENT ACT
THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE EXPECTED TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL STATUTES
REQUIRED IN THE ANTI-LOBBYING ACT AND THE DEBARMENT ACT.

10 NON-EXCLUSIVITY CLAUSE:

THIS AGREEMENT IS NON-EXCLUSIVE AND SHALL NOT IN ANY WAY PRECLUDE STATE AGENCIES FROM ENTERING INTO SIMILAR AGREEMENTS AND/OR ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER VENDORS OR FROM ACQUIRING SIMILAR, EQUAL, OR LIKE GOODS AND/OR SERVICES FROM OTHER ENTITIES OR SOURCES.

11 SCOPE OF CONTRACT

SUBMITTAL OF ANY TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTRARY TO THOSE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA MAY CAUSE YOUR BID TO BE REJECTED. BY SIGNING BELOW, TERMS AND CONDITIONS WHICH MAY BE INCLUDED IN YOUR BID ARE NULLIFIED, AND CONTRACTOR AGREES THAT THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN

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ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

BIDDER SIGNATURE

12 COMPENSATION INSURANCE, PUBLIC LIABILITY, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE, AS OUTLINED BELOW, ARE REQUIRED IN THIS BID.

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE:

PROOF OF INSURANCE SHOULD BE SUPPLIED WITH THE BID AND WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE WORK CAN COMMENCE.

INSURANCE COVERAGE SPECIFIED BELOW SHALL BE FURNISHED WITH THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM LIMITS:

COMPENSATION INSURANCE: THE CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTORS SHALL TAKE AND MAINTAIN DURING THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR ALL OF THEIR EMPLOYEES EMPLOYED AT THE SITE OF THE PROJECT. IN CASE ANY CLASS OF EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN HAZARDOUS WORK UNDER THE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION STATUTE, THE CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THEIR EMPLOYEES NOT OTHERWISE PROTECTED.

PUBLIC LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE: COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BODILY INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY, PRODUCTS LIABILITY, COMPLETED OPERATIONS AND OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY WITH COMBINED SINGLE LIMITS OF \$500,000 PER OCCURRENCE WITH A MINIMUM AGGREGATE OF \$1,000,000.

LICENSED AND NON-LICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL TAKE OUT AND MAINTAIN DURING THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT, AUTOMOBILE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE IN AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN COMBINED SINGLE LIMITS OF \$500,000 PER OCCURRENCE FOR BODILY INJURY/PROPERTY DAMAGE. IF ANY NON-LICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES ARE ENGAGED IN OPERATIONS WITHIN THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT ON THE SITE OF THE WORK TO PERFORM THEREUNDER, SUCH INSURANCE SHALL COVER THE USE OF ALL SUCH MOTOR VEHICLES ENGAGED IN OPERATING WITHIN THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT ON THE SITE OF THE WORK TO BE PERFORMED THEREUNDER, UNLESS SUCH COVERAGE IS INCLUDED IN THE INSURANCE SPECIFIED.

- 13 ANY ORDERS RESULTING FROM THIS SOLICITATION WILL BE PAID WITH NEW FY FUNDS, IF APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE. DELIVERY CANNOT BE MADE PRIOR TO JULY 1 AND YOUR BID PRICES MUST BE FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE AND DELIVERY ACCORDINGLY.
- 14 THE ABOVE QUANTITIES ARE ESTIMATED TO BE THE AMOUNT NEEDED. IN THE EVENT A GREATER OR LESSER QUANTITY IS NEEDED, THE RIGHT IS RESERVED BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO INCREASE OR DECREASE THE AMOUNT, AT THE UNIT PRICE STATED IN THE BID.
- 15 AT THE OPTION OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND ACCEPTANCE BY THE

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(12) MONTH PERIOD AT THE	TT MAY BE EXTENDED FOR ONE ADDITIONAL TWELVE SAME PRICE, TERMS AND CONDITIONS. TOTAL CEED THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS.	
THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE E	**************************************	

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17 MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE FOR:

NORTHWEST LA WAR VETERANS HOME (NWLWVH) 3130 ARTHUR RAY TEAGUE PARKWAY BOSSIER CITY, LA 71112.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE FOR PHYSICIAN ADMIT, ANNUAL HISTORY, PHYSICAL AND PROGRESS NOTES, DISCHARGE SUMMARY AND CORRESPONDENCE.

A CENTRALIZED DICTATION SYSTEM AND COMPLETED REPORTS TO BE TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY, VIA A SECURED INTERNET WEBSITE ONLY. VENDORS WHO CANNOT TRANSMIT COMPLETED REPORTS THROUGH A SECURED WEBSITE, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE DICATATORS 24HR ACCESS TO THE DICTATION SYSTEM, VIA AN 800 NUMBER.

VENDOR SHALL PROVIDE DETAILED BILLING REPORTS.

VENDOR SHALL PROVIDE MONTHLY, QUARTERLY, AND ANNUAL SUMMARY OF WORK PREFORMED.

VENDOR SHALL "NOT" CHARGE FOR BLANK LINES, CONTENTS OF HEADER, CONTENTS OF FOOTER, OR FOR BILLING UNDERLINE, AND/OR ITALICS.

ALL TRANSCRIPTIONS SHALL BE BILLED ON A PER LINE BASIS. A BILLABLE LINE REPRESENTS 65 CHARACTERS PER MS WORD LINE. THE LINE WILL BE CALCULATED ACCORDING TO THE LINE COUNT STANDARD SET BY THE AAMT. THE PRICE IS TO BE ALL INCLUSIVE.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE ALL EQUIPMENT, INSTRUCTIONS AND TRAINING TO NWLWVH DICTATORS NECESSARY FOR DICTATING AND TRANSCRIBING REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE ALL EQUIPMENT, INSTRUCTIONS AND TRAINING TO NWLWVH HEALTH INFORMATION STAFF FOR THE RETRIEVAL OF THE TRANSCIBED DOCUMENTS.

TRANSCRIBED DOCUMENTS MUST BE IN MS WORD FORMAT.

TRANSCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE LISTED REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE SHALL BE COMPLETE WITHIN 24 HOURS OF VENDOR RECEIPT OF DICTATED MATERIAL.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE NWLWVH STAFF W/EDITING CAPABILITIES TO DOCUMENTS, CAPTURED THROUGH THE SECURE WEBSITE. IF THE PHYSICIAN MAKES GROSS ERRORS OF OMISSION OR MAJOR AREAS OF DISCREPANCY (SEX, LEFT VS RIGHT) OR A SECTION OF THE REPORT IS NOT UNDERSTANDABLE, THE TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE SHALL FLAG IT FOR FOR THE PHYSICIAN'S ATTENTION.

VENDOR TO PROVIDE A QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM TO REPORT GROSS ERRORS IN TRANSCRIPTION AND/OR LACK OF TIMELINESS ON VENDOR'S PART AT NO COST TO NWLWVH.

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AGENCY SHALL HAVE FINAL APPROVAL ON SYSTEM SET-UP. SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL MEET WITH AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE CONTRACT TO DISCUSS AGENCY NEEDS AND STANDARDIZED REPORT FORMAT

AGENCY HAS APPROXIMATELY 3 CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL STAFF INCLUDING PHYSICIANS, WHO ARE POTENTIAL USERS OF THE DICTATION SYSTEM.

AN 800 NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED AND EACH DICTATOR ASSIGNED AN ID, SO THAT DICTATION CAN BE ACCESSED FROM ANY PLACE

SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL PROVIDE LISTENING ACCESS TO REPORT. ALL DICTATION SHALL REMAIN ON THE SYSTEM FOR LISTENING ACCESS FOR A PERIOD OF TWO WEEKS FROM DATE TRANSCRIBED.

THE VENDOR IS TO MAINTAIN A BACKUP PROCESS IN THE EVENT THAT SOMETHING SHOULD OCCUR WHEREBY AGENCY STAFF ARE NOT ABLE TO DOWNLOAD THE TRANSCRIBED DOCUMENTS, THEN THE VENDOR CAN EITHER PROVIDE AGENCY WITH THE TRANSCRIBED DOCUMENT OR RE-LOAD ONTO THE SECURED WEBSITE.

REPORTS SHALL BE IN MS WORD FORMAT.

VENDOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT TO BE COMPLIANT WITH FEDERAL HIPAA (PRIVACY) RULES/LAWS.

ALL WORK SHALL BE DONE ONSHORE ONLY

- 1. CONTRACTOR IS TO PROVIDE DICTATORS 24 HOUR ACCESS TO THE DICTATION SYSTEM, VIA A 1-800 NUMBER. THE MEDICAL DICTATION WILL BE SUBMITT DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. 4:30 P.M. CST.
- 2. COVERAGE DURING THE HOLIDAYS IS NOT REQUIRED.
- 3. NO STAT DICTATIONS ARE REQUIRED ON THIS CONTRACT.

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